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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application Number: 10/049,719
Applicants: Dong Young Kim and Yun Chur Chung
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Title: Fiber Optic Cable for Increased Transmission Capacity and
Wavelength Division Multi-Plexing Optical Transmission System
Using the Same
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Examiner: Therese Barber
Assignee: LG Cable Ltd. and Korean Advanced Institute of Science and
Technology
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Customer No.: 33549

RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.111)

This amendment and request for reconsideration is in response to an Office action communication mailed August 8, 2003. A shortened statutory period of three months has been set, making a response to this action due on or by November 8, 2003. The applicant is requesting that this time period be extended for three months to and including February 9, 2004, as February 8, 2004 is a Sunday and has included a Petition for Extension of Time along with the prescribed fee.

In the action, the Examiner expressed concerns regarding certain claim informalities and raised concerns under 35 U.S.C. §103. To respond to all issues, this amendment and request for consideration is submitted. This response is made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as amended using the format with each heading beginning on a separate page as follows:

1. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of all claims beginning on separate page 3 of this response; and
2. Remarks begin on page 19 of this response.

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Amndt dated February 9, 2004
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In accordance with the amendment directions provided in 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, please amend claims 2, 4-7, 12, 13-15, 18, 19, 21, 24, 27, 28, 30-32, 35, 36, 40, 44 and 47-49. Each amendment is believed to have been made in accordance with Rule 121, however, should any unintended informality exist, it is requested that the undersigned be contacted by telephone so that it may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.